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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: NEURAL REGENERATION CONDUIT

The prior application is assigned of record to The General Hospital Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 8, 2001 at 011877/0590.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	12
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Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 2 pages, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- Postcard.

This application is entitled to small entity status.

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/774,397, filed January 31, 2001 which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/179,201, filed January 31, 2000. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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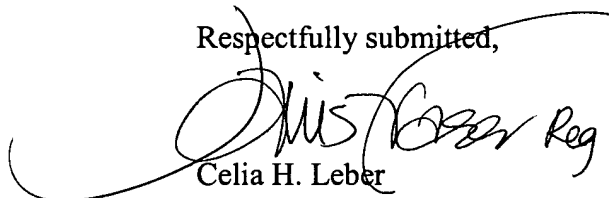
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